House Resolution No. 1252

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to recognize young men who have excelled during their association with the Boy Scouts of America program with its emphasis on physical, mental, and spiritual growth; self-reliance; personal values; service to others; and an appreciation and understanding of the wonderful natural world; and

Whereas, Andrew Jacob Ridenour of Troop 101 has successfully completed all of the stringent requirements for Scouting's highest advancement award, the rank of Eagle Scout, which will be bestowed upon him during an Eagle Court of Honor on March 26, 2005, at the Puxico VFW Hall; and

Whereas, attainment of the Eagle Scout rank is dependent upon the sequential completion of each of the Boy Scout steps of Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, and Life, and expected troop service, a requirement admirably fulfilled by Andrew through the billets of Quartermaster and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader; and

Whereas, diligent labors by Andrew earned him the World Conservation, God and Me, and Super Achiever awards; an Arrow of Light; induction into Order of the Arrow; and thirty-six merit badges which are arrayed on his uniform sash as a visual illustration of the diverse skills and knowledge which he has acquired as a Boy Scout; and

Whereas, in keeping with Scouting practice, Andrew applied the knowledge which he learned at troop meetings in many camping, hiking, and service activities, including three sessions of summer camp, Order of the Arrow weekends, and four Camporees; and

Whereas, Andrew completed an Eagle Project which consisted of installing a keystone path to and around the flagpole and Veterans Memorial at Puxico School to serve as a capstone to his Scouting career and to stand as a constant reminder of his dedication to serving others, an admirable trait which justifies the esteemed role which Scouting plays in today's society:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the outstanding achievements realized by Andrew Ridenour during his eight-year-long sojourn with Scouting and to congratulate him for having the drive and energy necessary to attain the rank of Eagle; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for new Eagle Scout Andrew Jacob Ridenour, son of Clark and Beverly Ridenour of Puxico, Missouri.

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Offered by	/
•	Representative Billy Pat Wright
	District No. 159
Ninety-thi certify tha	on, Speaker of the House of Representatives, rd General Assembly, First Regular Session, do t the above is a true and correct copy of House in No. 1252, adopted March 15, 2005.
Rod Jettor	n, Speaker